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REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 108-111 have been cancelled. Applicants submit that no subject matter has been relinquished by the foregoing.

The Examiner has required election of one of the following "groups of inventions":

- Group I - Claims 111-132 and 160-167
- Group II - Claims 133-134, 141-147, 168 and 170
- Group III - Claims 135-140 and 169
- Group IV - Claims 148-159

Applicants provisionally elect Group I, Claims 111-132 and 160-167, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.143.

In response to the Examiner's requirement that Applicants further elect a species within Group 1, Applicants provisionally elect the species of serving a beverage subjected to the effects of ultrasound signals. Applicants submit that Claims 111-132 and 160-167 are readable on this species.

It is not believed that any fee is necessary for this communication. If a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

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